

NOTICE OF INTENT TO AWARD

This Funding Announcement is not a request for applications. This announcement is to provide public notice of the Department of Labor's intention to fund the following project activities without full and open competition.

Funding Announcement	SGA 10-07
Project Title	Coal Mine Safety in Ukraine
Recipient	Partnership for Energy and Environmental Reform (PEER)
Total Anticipated	\$1,500,000.00
Award Amount	
Anticipated Length	Through 6/30/2013
of Agreement	
Anticipated Period	Through 6/30/2013
of Performance	
Award Instrument	Cooperative Agreement

OVERVIEW

Cooperative Agreement TBD was entered into by and between the Department of the Labor, Bureau of International Labor Affairs (ILAB) and Partnership for Energy and Environmental Reform (PEER) for the purpose of assisting the Government of Ukraine in implementing programs to improve coal mine safety.

RECIPIENT INVOLVEMENT

Partnership for Energy and Environmental Reform agrees to:

In cooperation with the State Committee of Ukraine for Industrial Safety, Labor Protection and Mountain Supervision implement projects designed to contribute to the reduction of coal mine fatalities and injuries among targeted mines in Ukraine, strengthen mine safety regulations and increase the Government of Ukraine's capacity to enforce regulation. Specific project objectives include: improved knowledge and techniques to reduce underground methane explosions; improve proposed safety regulations; improve the State Committee of Ukraine for Industrial Safety, Labor Protection and Mountain Supervision organization and independence; and increased knowledge of safety regulations, policies, and procedures.

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SINGLE-SOURCE JUSTIFICATION

The Department of Labor, Bureau of International Labor Affairs did not solicit full and open competition for this award based on the following criteria:

DLMS-2, Chapter 800, Section 836g3, which provides that the recipient has unique qualifications to perform the type of activity to be funded.

In support of this authority, ILAB asserted, "PEER is the only non-governmental organization actively working in the area of coal mine safety in Ukraine." The Procurement Review Board concurred that PEER is uniquely positioned to perform the type of activity required.